

## **Meeting Notes**

Vegetation Management SDT — Project 2007-07

February 17, 2010 | 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. MT February 18, 2010 | 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. MT February 19, 2010 | 8:00 a.m.-12:00p.m. MT

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Attendees at Entergy	Company	Attendees on phone	Company
Ron Turley	WAPA	Steve Genua	PEPCO
John Tamsberg	FPL	Darrell Piatt	FERC
Paul Beaulieu	Finley Engineering		
John Schechter	AEP		
Steve Tankersley	PG&E		
Karen Powell	Salt River Project		
Ron Adams	Duke Energy		
Phil Whitmer	Georgia Power Co.		
Jeff Hackman	Ameren		
George Czerniewski	Con Ed		
Dave Morrell	NYSPSC		
Gary White	Oncor		
Ken Wright	Tucson Electric		
Chris Young	FERC		
Dave Taylor	NERC		
Ivy Hooks	Compliance Automation		
Steve Genua	PEPCO		
Richard Dearman	TVA		
Tom Anderson	Lincoln Electric		
Steve Cieslewicz	CN Consulting		
Harry Tom	NERC		

- 1. Richard Dearman welcomed attendees.
- 2. Karen Powell, of Salt River Project delivered opening remarks.



- 3. The chair, Richard Dearman introduced Dave Taylor, NERC Manager of Standards Development and Ivy Hooks from Compliance Automation Inc. to the SDT. Harry then reviewed the NERC Antitrust Guidelines and the meeting agenda.
- 4. Dave Taylor reviewed the actions of the Standards Committee during its meeting on February 11, 2010. The Standards Committee voted (11 in favor to 5 opposed) to approve:
  - a. Suspension of formal responses to Second Comment period
  - b. Use of 2 Informal Comment periods
  - c. Use of 45 day Comment Period/Ballot
  - d. Post FAC-003-2 with a new RBS format as proposed by the SCPSC
- 5. The SDT reviewed the project schedule and the plan to post for initial Informal Comment period on March 2, 2010. (Attachment 1)
- 6. The SDT reviewed the new proposed RBS format prepared by the Standards Committee Process Sub-committee. (Attachment 2) The notable differences between straw proposal version and the SCPSC version relate to:
  - a. Exceptions
  - b. Requirements and Measures are now paired together
  - c. Compliance Elements are consolidated in a common table
- 7. The SDT discussed GO/TO issue decided to explain that another SDT is assigned to work on this issue in the Informal Comment Period Form. (Attachment 3)
- 8. Harry will create a mapping document that compares RBS version to the previous posting version for the upcoming Informal Comment Period.
- 9. Ivy Hooks reviewed suggested modifications to the standard with the VM SDT. (Attachment 4)
- 10. The VM SDT updated the proposed standard as follows:
  - a. Split the MVCD requirement into 2 requirements to address IROL/WECCMajor Transfer Path lines versus other applicable lines.
  - b. Revised requirements, measures and VSLs per input from Ivy Hook's, Dave Taylor, Andy Rodriguez, and others.
  - c. Harry incorporated the modified content of the Vegetation Standard FAC-003-2 into the new proposed SCPSC format. (Attachment 5)
  - d. The VM SDT edited the following in the version:
    - i. Background (Section 5 on page 5) John Schechter +5
    - ii. Guideline and Technical Basis (page 15)



- 11. The SCPSC provided the VM SDT with a set of Comment Form questions that pertain to the new proposed RBS format and agreed to prepare summary responses to industry comments from the upcoming Informal Comment Period. The VM SDT developed 4 additional questions and the background write-up.
- 12. A sub team reviewed the Issues database and another sub team reviewed a Posting Checklist.
- 13. The next meetings are:
  - a. March 16-19 at AEP, Dallas TX
  - b. March 25, 2010 FERC meeting in Washington DC (8AM TO 12NOON)
  - c. April 13-16 at SERC, Charlotte, NC
  - d. May 18-21 (Tri-State in Colorado, or an East coast location)
  - e. June 8-11 (Tri-State in Colorado, or an East coast location)
  - f. July 28-30 in Chicago (ISA conference week)
  - g. August 17-20
- 14. Set tentative agenda for March 16-19, 2010 meeting in Dallas (AEP)
  - a. White Paper edits
  - b. Webinar prep and conduct actual webinar
  - c. Draft the rationale for VRF/VSL assignments
- 15. Set Monday Conference Call February 22, 2010 at 2PM ET
  - a. Discuss comments from SDT re: New mapping document, New comment form, Old comment summaries, FERC issues document, New standard version.
  - b. Perform Final Review of Informal Comment Period posting package.